

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (Currently amended)

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1 A golf practice device comprising a body that has vertical sides that can
2 be struck by a moving golf ball, said body having a head portion
3 and a base, where
4 (I) said head portion contains
5 (A) at least one battery;
6 (B) an electronic sound generator that generates a sound when
7 energized by said battery; and
8 (C) a sensor switch that closes an electrical circuit connecting
9 said battery to said electronic sound generator when said
10 golf practice device is struck by a golf ball coming from any
11 direction; and
12 (D) an on-off switch that can turn said golf practice device on or
13 off; and
14 (II) said base is selected from the group consisting of a pin that can be
15 pushed into the ground and material made of small hooks that can
16 be releasably attached to a fabric.

2. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 1
wherein said base is a pin that can be pushed into the ground.

3. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 1
wherein said base is a material made of small hooks, whereby said

golf practice device can be releasably attached to a fabric.

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4. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 1 wherein said sides that are struck by said golf ball are cylindrical.
5. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 1 wherein said sound is that of a ball falling into a cup.
6. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 1 wherein said sound is a human voice.
7. (Canceled)
8. (Canceled)
9. (Currently amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 8 1 wherein said sensor switch is a metal spring mounted inside a metal ferrule, so that said metal spring contacts said metal ferrule when said golf practice device is struck by a golf ball.
10. (Original) A golf practice device according to Claim 1 wherein said display generator is an integrated circuit for generating an electrical signal and a speaker for converting said electrical signal

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into sound.

11. (Original) A method of improving putting accuracy comprising inserting the pin of a golf practice device according to Claim 2 into a putting green and putting golf balls at said golf practice device.

12. (Original) A method of improving putting accuracy comprising placing a golf practice device according to Claim 3 on a carpet and putting golf balls at said golf practice device.

1 13. (Currently amended) A golf practice device comprising a body that
2 has vertical sides that can be struck by a moving golf ball, said
3 body having a head portion and a base, where

4 (I) said head portion contains

5 (A) an on-off switch for turning said device on and off;

6 (B) at least one battery;

7 (C) an integrated circuit chip programmed to generate an
8 electrical signal when energized by said battery;

9 (D) a speaker that generates a sound when energized
10 by said electrical signal;

11 (E) a sensor switch that closes an electrical circuit
12 connecting said battery to said integrated circuit chip
13 when a side of said golf practice device is struck by a

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at said device.

- 1 18. (Currently amended) A golf practice device comprising a body that has
2 vertical sides that can be struck by a moving golf ball, said body having a
3 head portion and a base, where
4 (I) said head portion contains
5 (A) an on-off switch for turning said device on and off;
6 (B) at least one battery;
7 (C) an integrated circuit chip programmed to generate an
8 electrical signal when energized by said battery;
9 (D) a speaker that generates a sound when energized by said
10 electrical signal;
11 (E) a sensor switch that closes an electrical circuit connecting
12 said battery to said integrated circuit chip when a side of
13 said golf practice device is struck by a golf ball coming from
14 any direction; and
15 (F) an electrical circuit connecting said battery, said on-off
16 switch, said sensor switch, said integrated circuit chip, and
17 said speaker, whereby said circuit is closed only when both
18 said on-off switch and said sensor switch are closed; and
19 (II) said base is a material made of small hooks that can be releasably
20 attached to a fabric.



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19. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 18 wherein said sensor switch is a metal spring mounted inside a metal ferrule, so that said metal spring contacts said metal ferrule when said golf practice device is struck by a golf ball.
 20. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 18 wherein said sound is that of a ball falling into a cup.
 21. (Previously added) A golf practice device according to Claim 18 wherein said sound is that of a human voice.
 22. (Previously added) A method of improving putting accuracy comprising placing a golf practice device according to Claim 18 on a carpet, turning on said on-off switch, and putting golf balls at said device.
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